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SUBJECT: GUYANA PRIME MINISTER RE-AFFIRMS SUPPORT FOR ARABAS

REF: GEORGETOWN 1267

1. PRIME MINISTER BURNHAM ON OFFICIAL VISIT TO CAIRO REORTEDLY RE-AFFIRMED GUYANA'S SUPPORT FOR ARAB CAUSE IN MIDDLE EAST. IN SPEECH REPORTED IN SEPTEMBER 24 CHRONICLE BURNHAM ALLEGEDLY STATED GUYANA IS SUPPORTING ARABAS AT RISK OF INCURRING DISPLEASURE OF SUPERPOWER IN ITS OWN HEMISPHERE. BURNHAM EXPLAINED GUYANA'S ACTION WAS BASED ON CONVICTION AND ON SIMILAR EXPERIENCE WITH TERRITORIAL DISPUTES WITH ITS NEIGHBORS (VENEZUELA AND SURINAM). BURNHAM ADDED HE WAS CERTAIN HE WAS SPEAKING FOR REST OF CARIBBEAN IN PLEDGING SUPPORT FOR ARAB CAUSE AT ALL LEVELS.

2. COMMENT: BURNHAM'S SUPPORT FOR ARABAS STEMS FROM HIS DESIRE TO APPEAR IN FOREFRONT OF NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT(REFTEL) AS WELL AS FROM CONTINUED FEARS OF TERRITORIAL ENCROACHMENTS BY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NEIGHBORS. HOWEVER, HE WILL PROBABLY NOT FOLLOW CASTRO LEAD AT

ALGIERS NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE. BREAK IN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN GUYANA AND ISRAEL (MAINED ON A NON-RESIDENT BASIS)
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